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MEMORANDUM FOR: Robert W. Gambino
Director of Security

FROM : Clifford D. May, Jr.
Director of Data Processing

SUBJECT : Office of Security Case Controls
and Reports (OSCCAR)

REFERENCE : Memo dtd 24 Jan 77 to D/ODP fr D/Sec
subj. same as above (OS 7 0065)

1. The referenced memorandum indicates that the cost performance and availability of the OSCCAR system has been less than adequate for Security's purposes. The Office of Data Processing has found this system to require more than normal maintenance efforts but resource limitations have prevented us from attending to the required improvements.

2. Your memorandum requests modification to the OSCCAR system to yield one better matched to Security's needs. Since direct modification of the present system would not result in a more reliable system, it is recommended that a new system be designed and developed after review of Security's present requirements and OSCCAR's deficiencies.

3. This matter has been brought to the attention of [REDACTED] Chief of B Division. He will contact your representatives within the next two weeks.

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Clifford D. May, Jr.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Data Processing
FROM : Robert W. Gambino
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1. This memorandum is to request your assistance in exploring the possibilities of modifying OSCCAR.

2. I have decided that the OSCCAR system, as it is presently designed, does not provide benefits sufficient to outweigh the costs of its operation.

3. The system is operating according to specifications, but the ODP costs for FY 76 were \$173,639 instead of \$72,000, which was predicted at the time of implementation. Also, there have been recurring problems in achieving the nightly updates and in the ready availability of the GIMS file from terminals.

4. The Office of Security underestimated the costs and the difficulties in achieving timely and accurate input of data to OSCCAR. This has resulted in a data base which contains so many errors that the output cannot be fully used, as intended, for case controls and management reports. It has been necessary to maintain duplicative manual control and reporting systems throughout our two-year experience with OSCCAR.

5. The modification should strive to meet essential control and reporting requirements with a substantial reduction in ODP and OS costs.

6. Since OSCCAR is expensive and is of very limited value, I would like to take prompt action on this problem.

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7. It would be greatly appreciated if you could assign ODP personnel to work with [REDACTED] Clearance Division, and [REDACTED] Security Records Division in exploring the possibilities of modifying OSCCAR, and in providing estimated costs of a simplified system.

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